## **REMARKS**

Please reconsider this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

- Claims 1-10 and 12-13 are pending.
- Claims 1-3, 5-10, 12 and 13 are rejected.
- Claim 11 is cancelled.

Applicant has amended claim 4 to correct a formatting error.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to contain the limitations of claims 11. Since the examiner previously indicated that Claim 11 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, applicant believes that the claims, as amended, are allowable.

Since all claims are in a condition for allowance, please issue a Notice of Allowability so stating. If I can be of any help, please contact me.

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